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## Lieutenant Governor makes ceremonies special

By Nicole Smith

This year's Remembrance Day ceremony in Didsbury will be unforgettable for many.

A beautiful ceremony was hosted dually by the Westglen and DHS students, with special guest Her Honourable Lois Hole, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta.

Westglen Principal Phil Corning introduced Hole by listing all her many accomplishments.

Hole is the second woman to serve as Lieutenant Governor in Alberta's history.

She and her husband run the largest retail greenhouse operation in Western Canada, and she is the author of six best-selling gardening books.

A regular contributor to the Globe and Mail, the Edmonton Journal and the Edmonton Sun, Hole is also a regular guest on the CBC's Canadian Gardener.

Her Honour has also just arrived back from a trip to Buckingham Palace, where she spent time with the Queen.

Hole began her address to the students and guests by offering the band students words of encouragement.

"I must say how much I have enjoyed the two bands ... You really have a wonderful, wonderful music director," she said.

She went on to say how special Didsbury is and that she is happy she could visit for the Remembrance Day ceremonies.

"To come to a school in remembrance of people who served this country, it is a special time," Hole said.

Her Honour spoke of how war has affected her personally in the past and read an emotional poem written by a 12-year-old student.

"We have to honour our veterans and appreciate that they are here today. We must honour them," she said.

"We must not forget Canada's beloved peacemakers."

She also drew attention to the many Cadets participating in the ceremonies.

"To the young Cadets, you looked wonderful. It was such an honour to have you here," she said. "I love your town. I love your school and I've so enjoyed the music. You've made it such a special day for me," she concluded.



**AN HONOUR**  
At their Remembrance Day ceremonies last Thursday, Westglen and DHS students were treated to a talk from The Honourable Lois Hole, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta.

## Museum makeover: New ideas for an old building

By Nicole Smith

Members of the Didsbury and District Historical Society are trying to save their building.

A delegation was made to the Didsbury Town Council on Nov. 1, concerning new initiatives the society is considering.

Dale Weiss, the secretary of the society, spoke to council on behalf of the group.

Weiss began by giving some history of the museum in Didsbury, saying that it has been in its current building since 1987.

"We're trying to keep the

story of Didsbury as part of mainstream as we see it," he said.

He went on to say that there are several factors that are keeping the museum from being as successful as they wish it could be.

Weiss told council that the mission statement of the museum is stalled; there is director fatigue; and, they're having difficulty recruiting new people for the organization.

"We're starting to lose long-time directors and members be-

cause they're just tired," Weiss said.

The society is also encountering some financial difficulties, as increased operating costs and decreased memberships are occurring.

Weiss told council that, for example, last year they had budgeted \$250 for displays and spent nothing.

He explained that a committee has been formed within the society to look at creative ideas for the museum's future.

"We have not been twiddling

our thumbs for the past two years," Weiss said of how the difficulties arose.

"I don't think we've left any stone unturned as to the way we do things."

Weiss went on to say that it has become a sort of "vicious circle" for the society as far as advancement goes.

"We're trying to get money to do things, but we need to do things to get money," he said.

The society is granted \$4,000 yearly from the Town which Weiss says is "very much appre-

ciated." But, he says, it's not enough to be able to operate efficiently.

Weiss suggested that the Town help the society by undertaking the annual maintenance costs of the building.

"That building is the number one artifact," he explained. "Having a museum in it is the perfect use for it. By doing this, it would free the board up to do the things it was meant to do all along."

Weiss said that the group

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# Wild Rose race remains focused on health care

By Dan Singleton

In the wake of two nationally televised party leader debates, health care remains the number one issue among the candidates in Wild Rose.

Like their federal counterparts, candidates here continue to battle over health care policies and plans.

Alliance incumbent Myron Thompson is committed to implementing a for-profit, two-tier health system based on Alberta's controversial Bill 11, said NDP candidate Anne Wilson.

"Medicare will become two-tier (under Alliance)," Wilson said Saturday. "It's Bill 11. They've killed before, they'll kill again."

"Thompson says he knows right from wrong but I don't believe he does. It must be very comfortable to have such easy convictions, but how comfortable can it be for people who are in need of health care?"

"In a way Alberta is quite privileged because we know exactly what Stockwell Day (Alliance leader) is capable of. He has put the boots to health care."

Thompson is running against Wilson, PC candidate Truper McBride, Liberal Bryan Mahoney and independent candidate Garnet Hammer.

Thompson is the second-term MP for Wild Rose. The riding includes Sundre, Olds, Didsbury, Airdrie, Canmore, Banff and surrounding communities. Canadians go to the polls on Monday, Nov. 27.

Bill 11 allows health authorities to contract out some services, including minor surgeries, to private clinics. Day was in the Alberta provincial cabinet that formulated the bill.

Thompson defended Alliance policy, saying the party would provide full federal funding for universal health care. He denied suggestions Alliance will impose for-profit health care.

"To say that the Alliance is only going to give health care to the rich is just a really dumb statement," Thompson said Friday.

"It's up to the province's to deliver the service. If they do it through private clinics or whatever means they can do it the best, then let's leave it up to the provinces to achieve

that and wish them well.

"It's up to the federal government to provide their portion of the funding and to enforce the Canada Health Act."

However, PC candidate Truper McBride said both Day and Thompson have failed to convince voters the party will not create a health system where patients able to pay more will get better care.

"I don't know if it's so much a hidden agenda (on health care) as that they don't have one at all," said McBride. "Who's telling the truth here? Who do we trust?"

"It makes it difficult to understand what the Alliance is standing for when Jason Kenney (Alliance MP) says he's for private health, and Rob Love (Day advisor) is saying he is in favour of something along the lines of private health, and then Day holds up a sign saying no two-tier health."

Liberal candidate Bryan Mahoney said an Alliance government would certainly institute for-profit health care.

"What we're going to get is private medicare and the eroding of the public system into a

two-tier system," said Mahoney. "It would be patchwork medical care."

Independent candidate Garnet Hammer said the government should have health policies that "save us money and shorten waiting lines."

"First off I would like to see the federal government ante up more funds," said Hammer, adding he has not ruled out for-profit clinics, saying they could help reduce stresses on the system.

Thompson's chances for reselection have been hurt by Day's failure to silence critics of Alliance health policy, said McBride.

"I think people are thinking twice about Day. He talks about respect, but it seems he has respect for some people and no respect for others. The entire party has respect for some and none for others."

"One minute they are having an referendum on abortion and the next they're not. One minute they are attacking minorities and the next minute they're not. Maybe they have multiple agendas?"

"I would hate to see him (Thompson) as cabinet minister. I don't think that would be beneficial to Canada at all."

Meanwhile, Alberta Premier Ralph Klein has jumped into the federal health care debate,

sending a letter to Prime Minister Chretien slamming recent Liberal campaign ads.

One Liberal ad states, in part, that "Stockwell Day helped impose a law that opens the door to U.S. style health care," referring to the controversial Bill 11 (Alberta Health Care Protection Act).

In reply, Klein said he is "extremely disappointed" in the campaign.

"For the record, the act makes 'U.S. style health care illegal,'" said Klein. "It is most disturbing to me that you would knowingly choose to misrepresent the facts about Alberta's health system."

Klein openly declared his support for the Alliance Party earlier this year.

NDP candidate Wilson countered: "He's (Stockwell Day) got to either say Bill 11 is terrible and I've changed my mind, or he has to say I'm in favour of private, for-profit hospitals. He cannot have it both ways."

All five federal party leaders — Joe Clark (PC), Stockwell Day (Alliance), Alexa McDonough (NDP), Gilles Duceppe (Bloc Quebecois) and Jean Chretien (Liberal) — claimed to have come out on top during the national televised debates on Nov. 8 and 9.

## More hay fires hit central AB

By Dan Singleton

There has been yet another arson fire in central Alberta, with about 1,500 straw bales destroyed in three separate blazes at Joffre near Red Deer late Nov. 2.

Damage has been set at more than \$20,000, said investigator Const. Will Slingerland, with Red Deer RCMP.

There are now at least nine unsolved, suspicious fires in the district, with total damage exceeding \$3 million.

RCMP have not ruled out the possibility a serial arsonist may be at work in the region.

The Joffre blazes are just the latest in a long string of unsolved fires in central Alberta.

On August 12 at least \$20,000 in damage was done to buildings at an Airforce cadet camp near Caroline.

About \$1.5 million damage was done to buildings and compressed hay pellets at the Champion Hay Processors Plant between Sundre and Didsbury in Oct. 1999.

A midnight fire at the Olds College destroyed a large sheep barn on July 23, 1998, causing \$300,000 damage.

In June 1995, more than \$1 million damage was done to buildings and equipment at the Olds Transfeeder hay plant.

Two months later, \$300,000 worth of compressed hay bales

were destroyed in a late-night fire at the Cremona Forage Processors Plant.

Dozens of firefighters have been involved in battling the fires.

There have been no reported injuries.

Investigators have been unable to rule out arson as the cause of any of the fires.

They have declined to say what type of accelerant has been used on any of the fires.

The investigations are continuing, RCMP in Olds, Didsbury, Sundre and Red Deer confirmed Monday.

Police are asking anyone with information about the unsolved fires to contact them or Crime Stoppers.

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## New ideas needed

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would continue fundraising, but suggested that the Town operate on a per capita funding formula that they could write into the budget.

"As a historical society, we believe we've got a good thing going at that museum, but our museum has gone as far as it can go," he said. "There's still enough fire left in the historical society to fix this."

Weiss explained that the group applies for as many grants as possible, but says that the majority are matching grants which require them to have funds available. He says that by handing over the maintenance costs, they would be better able to take advantage of such grants.

"The Town has always shown good faith to the museum. We need to do something different and we're asking for your careful consideration of our proposal," Weiss concluded.

Mayor Ray Lea asked Weiss if they had yet approached Mountain View County with the same proposal. Weiss said that they intend to do so.

"I think this Town would be very interested in partnering with the County in regards to this project," said CAO Evan Parliament.

No decision was made by council concerning this issue, but it is on their agenda for their retreat this week.

## Marz makes appearance at Chinook's Edge board meeting

By Nicole Smith

MLA Richard Marz was in attendance at the Chinook's Edge School Board meeting last Wednesday to discuss issues affecting his constituents.

Marz wants to collaborate with the CESD board to work towards a common goal.

"We can and should work together to meet the concerns of our common constituents," Marz began.

Marz brought a number of issues to the table, including that of special needs funding.

"Special needs funding is a real issue," he said. "The concerns I hear are relatively the same throughout the constituency."

Marz told the board that he's hearing that needs are not being met and "I wonder what we can do to address this."

He went on to say that special needs funding did increase this past fiscal year, but is wondering if it's enough.

"We appreciate the extra funds, for special needs in particular," said Chair Roy Brassard.

"We could always use more money ... We're making sure all the funding and then some go towards special needs."

Superintendent Jim Gibbons says that staffing has changed and that support staff has been added throughout the division

to improve the service.

"Our model is well on track to improving services," said Gibbons.

Gibbons went on to say that early intervention is what is most important and feels more funding is needed within that program.

"If I were waving the magic wand I wouldn't wave it at mild to moderate (special needs). I'd wave it at early intervention," Gibbons said.

Other issues were brought up by the board, including the DARE program.

Trustee Penny Archibald is concerned about the lack of funding for the DARE program, which gives students 17 hours of education on drugs.

"Richard, it is in jeopardy ... we need your help," said Trustee Archibald.

Another concern was raised by Trustee Sandi Chalmers about the new math program implemented recently in Alberta.

This program separates senior math into two streams: pure and applied. Chalmers says that it is hard for students to switch from one stream to the other and end up having to take extra courses to do so.

Also, Chalmers says that students are feeling wary about not taking the pure math program, as it is required for entrance to many universities.

"We don't want them to be losers at the end of the day," she said. "They are qualified for university, but they don't have the pure math."

Chalmers says she raised the issue because she wanted Marz to be aware of the problem facing many students within his constituency and around Alberta.

The final issue discussed by Marz and the board was that of the 4x4 school system, which is the expansion of the separate school system into other areas of the province.

Chair Brassard was feeling the most concern about this program.

"It takes away a number of our students from existing program," said Brassard.

He explained that he's not against the program, but that CESD is struggling to have enough students to offer all the programs that are requested within the division.

"It puts our existing programs in real jeopardy," Brassard said.

"Let me be clear, it's not a religious problem," he went on. "If it's going to put any educational components in jeopardy, then it's a real problem."

Marz left the meeting saying that he will take a look at the board's concerns and hopes to keep a line of communication open in the future.

## Business Watch offers innovative crime protection

By Nicole Smith

A new RCMP program will keep business owners on line with crime in the area. Literally.

The Business Watch program is an innovative program that will keep members of the program up-to-date on criminal activity in the area.

The idea of the program is to send out e-mails to all members each morning, that will include information on crimes such as break and enters, fraud cheques, vandalism, money scams, thefts and con artists. These e-mails will include names, descriptions and sometimes pictures of suspects in the area.

"Anything that is pertaining to these crimes would be sent out," said Sergeant Ron Platz of the Didsbury RCMP detachment.

Platz, who is spearheading the program in the area, says that this is a new spin on an old idea.

"There's always been a type of fan-out system," he said. "Now we have the technology to put us where we can now do it on computer."

Platz says that this program is aimed at assisting businesses in reducing crime-related problems through education, information sharing, communication and enforcement.

The program is set to run in the communities of Didsbury, Carstairs, Cremona and Water Valley, as well as the rural area within the detachment's boundaries.

He says that this program has many benefits for its members, including: added security; business prospects; business promotions; seminars and workshops; opportunity for a crime-free community; and enhanced communications between community and RCMP.

Ideas that Platz has for various seminars and workshops include issues like business security, cheque cashing, alarm systems, credit card fraud and office security.

This service is free to all businesses in the community, as the RCMP have received a government grant to cover the majority of the costs of the program. Any additional costs will be paid for by the RCMP.



Platz says that he's hoping to have the program up and running at the beginning of the new year and encourages all business owners to consider joining the program.

Information packages and application forms are available at the local detachment, or by calling 335-3382.

## Maintenance account information now on-line

Clients of Alberta's Maintenance Enforcement Program (MEP) now have around-the-clock, computer access to their account information.

Using their previously assigned personal identification number (PIN) and MEP account number, clients can now view or update account information by visiting [www.gov.ab.ca/just/mep](http://www.gov.ab.ca/just/mep) and clicking on "accounts."

"The MEP Accounts On-line project is the first of its kind in Canada, is simple to use, and will free up staff to help clients with more complex questions or concerns," said Justice Minister Dave Hancock, Minister responsible for the Maintenance Enforcement Program.

"Service to clients is a top priority for the Maintenance Enforcement Program. With more than 43,000 account files, it is essential to look for new and more efficient ways of doing business. Internet account access is a convenient, private and secure way to serve our clients," Hancock said.

Through MEP Accounts On-line, both creditors and debtors can access current account status (last four payments), request a statement, report their change of address, and send an e-mail inquiry or comment. In addition, creditors can report a payment and

provide new information on a debtor, such as a change of address or bank information. Debtors can also request income tax letters and access a listing of their next four post-dated cheques.

The system complements existing services provided by collection officers and the interactive MEP Info Line, which provides telephone access to account information 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Because MEP Accounts On-line is Internet based, it allows

clients to view or provide personal information confidentially from the privacy of their home or office.

To protect the privacy of program creditors and debtors, on-line files provide no identifying information.

Files consist solely of account numbers and a PIN, followed by current account figures and enforcement information.

No names, addresses or phone numbers can be accessed on-line.

## Good direction expected from retreat

By Nicole Smith

Didsbury Town Council and members of administration will be hitting the road later this week.

The group is heading to Canmore for their annual retreat, which will be held Nov. 14-16.

CAO Evan Parliament says that the agenda for the retreat is already in place, with 14 important issues slated for discussion.

Parliament says that some of the topics for discussion include: three year budget; infrastructure; annexation report; Main Street Project; the Chamber of Commerce; the Olds/Didsbury Airport; the Museum; Multi-Purpose Room renovations; development strategies; staff issues and the Mountain View Management Board.

"We usually get a lot of good direction at this retreat," Parliament said. "It's always a good meeting."

# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Debatable



Nicole  
SMITH

It's amazing how interested I've become in politics over the last few years. I suppose it must have something to do with my job depending on it.

Because of this new-found interest in how our country is governed, I watched the candidates debate for the upcoming federal election last Thursday night.

I try and stay on the fence concerning the political parties and not choose favorites because

it may somehow be reflected in the writing I do for this paper, but I have to say that I am a bit swayed by Stockwell Day.

He has charisma and an aura of integrity surrounding him that I don't see in any of the other candidates. He is less focused on mud-slinging and bad-mouthing, and more focused on getting his point across in a well-thought, well-spoken way. I don't necessarily agree with everything Day is saying, but I sure like the way he says it.

Joe Clark also did a great job during the debate. This is a man who has been involved in the politics of Canada for over 30 years, so he knows exactly what's going on. He called the Prime Minister on mistakes he's made over the past seven years and was searching for some accountability from Jean Chretien concerning the state that Canada is in at the moment. The Progressive Conservative party has been out of the running for some years now, but I think that they will be able to get their platform across with Clark running the show.

Press releases I received the day after the debate stated that Chretien outshone all the other candidates during this debate. I must disagree. His bumbling comments and talking around the questions made me think it's time for a change in Canada. It also could have something to do with the fact that Canadians pay more personal income taxes than any other country in the G7. It's a toss up.

NDP candidate Alexa McDonough didn't do herself any good during the debate, in my opinion. She seemed to come off as a money-hungry political nightmare, as she could only focus on what she considered to be Liberal mispending of a huge federal surplus. You could just see the gears turning in her head about how the NDPs would have handled such a huge surplus.

Bloc Quebecois leader Gilles Duceppe carried his own during the debate, despite being cut off several times during his answers. But, starting out his speech with talks of separatism and sovereignty probably didn't help his cause too much, even if a lot of Quebecers do agree with him.

The next two and a half weeks will definitely be interesting ones for the people of Canada. Hopefully we will come out of this with a new sense of patriotism, as well as possibly a new leader.



## Life after debt: End to income tax

By Mitchel Gray  
Provincial Director, Canadian Taxpayers Federation

Times are good in Alberta. So good, in fact, that Premier Ralph Klein has recently been ruminating about eliminating the province's income tax. "What?" you say, "Can it be true?" "Can we really get rid of income tax?"

In a word, yes. It is possible. Alberta could abolish provincial income tax. As mounting surpluses continue to gush from the province's books the prospects for substantial tax cuts become very real.

But before "surplus euphoria" goes to our heads, let's just step back a moment and take stock of the situation.

It's probably fair to say that most Albertans would want to see the provincial debt eliminated before we go jumping into the tax-cut deep end. First things first, after all. That should take anywhere between two to four years.

Once the debt is retired we can really go to town. This year personal income tax revenues are estimated to come in at \$5 billion - approximately 20% of the total revenue pie. Existing surpluses and money saved from debt interest payments could allow us to cut personal income tax in half - overnight.

That is, of course, as long as oil and gas revenues stay high. But oil and gas revenues will not always stay high. Cutting income taxes based on a permanent price of \$30 for a barrel of oil is a recipe for disaster.

"So what are you saying?" "First you say we can eliminate income tax, and now you're saying we're handcuffed in doing so because of commodity price swings!"

Not exactly. There is a way

to eliminate provincial income tax while ensuring stable revenues.

Remember the old Heritage Trust Fund? Yes, it still exists. It's currently worth about \$12.8 billion and produced \$1.17 billion in income last year. This year \$818 million from the Fund will go to pay for basic programs.

So why not just continue to do what we're already doing?  
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## Wonderings of the heart

### My Birthday Slipper

By Margaret Fradley

Some people's birthdays and special days hold very special times with many good memories. Mine have often held a surprise, but certainly some unique memories.

For me, rather than special times or occasions or birthdays being special, I find often just unexpected delightful things occurring on ordinary days are more meaningful.

Years ago, I admit, times were tough and we learned to be content and happy without many of the extras we enjoy today.

On one occasion, I celebrated a birthday which did contain an element of surprise and most certainly afforded me with a lasting memory.

I received a nicely wrapped gift from my husband (incidentally, my birthday arrived at the end of November). Upon opening my gift, it contained one slipper with the assurance its mate would follow at Christmas.

I have never been one for many decisions, but here I was faced with a dilemma. Should I wear one slipper for a month, or wait and enjoy both slippers. They were really nice slippers.

Now I am still not sure whether it was all meant to be a joke or whether it was because things were tight, and of course, it was practical.

Perhaps it was given just to provide some special memories and a good laugh.

In all fairness I must add my husband is very generous and has a good sense of humour - different but good!!



# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Canada is ready for a reasoned health care debate

Walter Robinson,  
Federal Director,  
Canadian Taxpayers Federation

Finally, after several days the election campaign is now engaged, and the issue to clearly energize the parties is health care. Recent ill-timed musings by Alliance MP Jason Kenney on private medicine set the other parties into a tizzy. While Mr. Kenney's thoughts were an open invitation for criticism, (hey, we're in the middle of an election), the hypocrisy of the other major parties cannot go unmentioned.

There was Jean Chretien, saying "that cat was out of the bag" on the Alliance's health care agenda and he went further vowing to "never, never, never" allow the Alliance to destroy medicare. Let's just recap, this is the same Jean Chretien who sat in the big chair as the Liberals gutted billions from provincial health transfers over the past seven years. Hmmm?

Not to be outdone, Tory boss Joe Clark noted that the "cover had been ripped off the Reform/Alliance party now." Flashback. This is the same PC Party that put a policy document before its

delegates in Quebec City last May stressing the role that private providers have traditionally and will continue to play in health care.

And NDP leader Alexa McDonough chimed in noting that the "Alliance has finally come clean after a lot of contradictions." To be fair, Ms. McDonough can claim some purity in the health care debate as she has been - and still is - an unabashed supporter of total state control and direction in health care, to the exclusion of all others. While ideologically consistent, such a central planning approach to medicare is neither pragmatic nor possible. Thank goodness for that!

So where does this leave us? Sadly we are left poorly informed and badly served by our elected representatives. And the parties will only offer up simple soundbites from now until election day. No wonder former PM Kim Campbell mused in 1993 that elections were probably one of the worst times to discuss complex social policy questions.

But voters can take ownership of this file by grilling local candidates on the issue. Public opinion polls consistently point

to health care as our number one public policy preoccupation. Below are some simple questions for your MP and his/her challengers when they come knockin' for your vote.

**What are the five principles of the Canada Health Act?** Answer: Universality, Portability, Accessibility, Comprehensiveness, and Public Administration. If he/she can't answer this question, slam the door; destroy their literature and stroke them off the "to vote for" list.

**How much do we spend now on health care and what is the public-private breakdown?** Answer: In 1999, Canadians spent over \$86 billion on health care with about 70% coming from the public purse and the other 30% from private sources including out-of-pocket expenses, employer sponsored plans and non-covered services like dental work, for example.

**What are the biggest cost drivers in health care?** The answer should include references to demographic pressures (the aging population), technology cost pressures (MRI machines, lithotripters, and new surgical instruments, just to name a few), and pharmaceutical utilization.

If the candidate at your doorstep is hangin' in there with answers similar to the ones outlined above, then they've at least done a little homework on the health care file. Now ask him/her why the principles of **quality, accountability, and inter-generational sustainability** are not enshrined in the *Canada Health Act*.

These are also questions you could ask at an all-candidates debate. While health care may not dominate the election, getting other voters to think about the issue is the first step toward a national dialogue. Now, if only our politicians could learn how to walk when it comes to health care.

## Life after debt: End to income taxes

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Why not build up the Heritage Fund to the extent that the annual return could replace foregone income tax revenues.

A Heritage Fund of say, \$70 billion (in 2000 dollars), would produce enough revenue to replace that generated by income tax without having to dip into the principal.

Not only would we be eliminating income tax, but we would be preparing for the day when we run out of oil and gas altogether. Future generations would have a stable base of investment revenues to draw upon.

If this sound like a pie-in-the-sky idea it isn't. Alaska has already done it. Income produced from the State's "Permanent Fund," established in 1976, now exceeds oil revenues. Because Alaska has no personal income tax or sales tax there are few taxes to scale back. So instead, the State hands out annual rebates to its citizens through a "Dividend Program." This year the rebate will probably be in the \$2,000 range.

This plan requires one thing though - discipline. Surpluses incurred after the debt is gone would have to be placed in the Heritage Fund. They could not be spent on new programs.

And income tax would not be eliminated in one fell swoop. It would take many years to build up the Fund to the point where it could replace income tax entirely.

All of this ignores the fact that there are many other taxes that could be put on the chopping block. But that's another discussion.

Can Alberta's personal income tax be eliminated? Of course. But it should be done in accordance with a thoughtful, long-term, prudent plan. This is the next big challenge for the Klein government and for all Albertans.

## Fear-mongering

Dear Editor,

"There has been some fear-mongering done," Gerald Stewart, the first ever Alliance candidate nominated in P.E.I., was quoted as saying in Saturday's *Charlottetown Guardian*.

Alliance candidates will talk of the benefits of tax cuts, of cutting wasteful spending, of the need for change. One change in tax-policy they will seldom mention is this: "All families want their children to receive a quality education. Most parents choose to send their children to publicly-funded schools, but some pay large amounts to choose other options for their children. A Canadian Alliance government will bring forward tax reform measures to allow parents in this situation to keep more of their income to provide for their children's education, while respecting provincial jurisdiction."

Is it fear-mongering to ask what is meant by the term "other options?"

Will it be for any and all ethnic and religious groups to found their own schools? Will the wealthy who pay "large amounts" sending their children to private schools have tax relief? Just what is its breadth of meaning?

Clarification is necessary as well on how Federal funding for private schools reconciles with this policy statement:

"We must also respect the legitimate jurisdictions of Canada's provinces, including Quebec." (1)

Just how is there "respect" for provincial jurisdiction over education in altering its nature

through Federal financing?

Is it fear-mongering to ask questions about vaguely-worded and contradicting policies?

Or fear on the part of Alliance candidates that his policy will alienate those believing it best for Canada to have our children living and learning together.

Yours truly,  
Joe Hueglin  
Niagara Falls, Ontario  
(1) Quotes taken from the Canadian Alliance website <http://www.canadianalliance.ca/CanadianAllianceElectionPlatform.html>  
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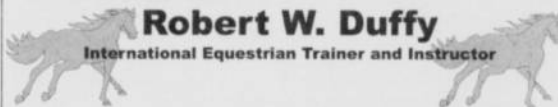
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# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Major problems with Alberta's approval process

Dear Editor,

There are major problems with the province's role in the approval process for new and expanding Intensive Livestock Operations (I.L.O.'s). The operations being proposed at the present time are not like the operations that existed just a few years ago. They are not like the "Family Farm" of the past that usually had a combination of livestock and crops on a moderate-sized land base. The new modern I.L.O. usually have a small land base not large enough for proper manure disposal. This situation creates problems where I.L.O. operators have to rely on neighbours to dispose of all the manure generated. This quite often leads to manure being over applied on the small-owned land base.

There are also conflicts over Minimum Distance Separation, where in most areas of the province, I.L.O.'s can use neighbouring land for these setbacks. In a lot of cases neighbours are not informed that the setbacks exist, the y quite often find out about it when they go to develop their property and find out that they can't because of the M.D.S.

The present system of having Alberta Agriculture doing the site assessment for operations is not working. With Alberta Agriculture being both the promoters of the operations as well as doing the site assessments is like leaving the fox to guard the hen house. Most Agriculture Representatives state that a development could meet the "Code of Practice," not whether it does, does not, or whether sufficient information has been presented to make the determination.

On some site assessments the "Code of Practice, for Safe and Economic Handling of Animal Manures" has not been followed in order that an operation will be approved. This practice has created distrust in the system, it also creates problems for municipal governments that have to approve or reject the proposals. They request the site assessment to help them with the decision and are given false information by the supposed experts; problems start due to the mistrust in this information.

In one instance we found that the site assessment was done by driving by on the road and looking across the property. On this same site assessment, the part listing the M.D.S. to neighbouring residences, some residences were omitted, others were listed as the wrong category. This error made it look like the M.D.S. was easily met when it actually couldn't be met. These mistakes were not found out until after the municipal government had approved the operation. This only left one option, to bring these mistakes out and that was an expensive appeal. The appeal board rejected the operation. The op-

eration was also very close to a deep ravine with a watercourse flowing through. If the site assessment had been done properly it would have shown that the site was inappropriate and if Alberta Agriculture hadn't shown such support for the operation it would have saved a major conflict.

In another instance a very large operation was proposed and the municipal government felt that the operation was inappropriate for the area and turned it down. The proponent appealed to the SDAB, the Agriculture Representative intervened in the hearing, although no written report was given to support the proposal, even though the acreage available for manure application didn't even come close to the area required in the Code of Practice. A soil scientist testified that the quoted land base would not sustain the operation long term. The operation was approved by the SDAB, in part, based on the testimony of the Agriculture Representative. This application has since been appealed to the Court of Appeal. One of the grounds, on which the appeal was granted, was that the land base did not meet up to the Code of Practice.

In another instance an operation started an expansion without a development permit. When neighbouring residents complained a permit was issued by the Development Officer. This permit was appealed to the SDAB and construction never stopped. A site assessment was done on the site; this assessment would require the manure storage volume be doubled to allow for six months storage. This site assessment was compared to an assessment done on the site a few years earlier by the same person, there were several things that had changed. These changes made it possible to meet the stated M.D.S. for the expansion. This M.D.S. appears to not have been calculated correctly. Another thing that seemed interesting was that a Community Center was farther away than it had been before. The manure storage size had not been changed as required in the site assess-

ment and was already built. To correct for this the proponent came up with a different feeding system that would supposedly reduce manure volumes. The Agriculture Representative used figures from another hog producer to recalculate the manure volumes. The manure storage that was only adequate for three to four months now was good for eight to nine months. This was no where near what was required in the Code of Practice. This feeding system was checked with another Agriculture Engineer and they stated that the system might reduce manure volumes by 3% to 5%, not the 66% quoted by the Agriculture Representative. There was a letter of concern from the Department of Public Health about the sandy condition of the site and the possibility of surface and ground water contamination. Between the Agriculture Representative and the County Staff they convinced the Appeal Board that the operation should be approved, even though it did not come close to meeting the Code of Practice. This left the people feeling that they had been cheated. The only option they have left is the Court of Appeal to get justice, which they cannot afford the costs of. These people all feel that the system has failed them and rightly so because it has failed them.

In another site assessment the Agriculture Representative okayed an operation that was in a flood zone. The whole area is covered with watercourses. The Municipal Government approved the site, as did the Appeal Board, it was after it was all done that the opponents discovered that the proponent was receiving a tax break because it was in a flood zone.

For this reason it is time that site assessments be taken away from Alberta Agriculture and be put in the hands of Alberta Environmental Protection and Alberta Public Health. This would allow the site assessments to be unbiased. This would leave Alberta Agriculture to promote agriculture without being in conflict as the regulator. This would make the Municipal

Government's job easier when it comes to granting development permits. It would also ease the tension between proponents and opponents because the assessments would be done by a neutral party and not by the promoter.

The Code of Practice contains only minimum standards, they need to be strengthened, updated, and clarified. When all aspects of an operation only meet up to these minimum standards, there is a good possibility that the combination of these minimums will lead to major problems in the future.

There should be Provincial Inspectors for these operations that have the authority to make surprise inspections without

giving notice. They should have the power to give orders and impose fines that would ensure that problems with an operation are corrected. These inspectors could be paid for by a tax on these Intensive Livestock Operations, this would also make the farm tax system fairer. At present, a grain farmer with the same dollars invested in land as an I.L.O. has invested in barns pays more taxes because taxes are assessed on land and not farm buildings. Most of the I.L.O.'s are not farms; they are INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS and should be taxed as industry.

Yours truly,  
Malcolm McIlroy  
Red Deer, Alberta

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# Roberts murdered oilman two years ago, says jury

**Sentencing expected Dec. 15**

By Dan Singleton

(Calgary) - An Olds-area rancher charged after Calgary oil executive Patrick Kent was shot dead two years ago has been found guilty of second degree murder.

Eifion Wyn (Wayne) Roberts, 56, was convicted by a 12-person jury on Nov. 11. He is expected to be sentenced on Dec. 15.

Roberts faces at least 10 years in prison.

Kent, a vice president of KB Resources, was working on a wellsite on Roberts' Eagle Ridge Ranch, northwest of Olds, on Oct. 3, 1998 when he was shot four times in the head.

Roberts' trial began Oct. 23 before Justice Peter Martin in Court of Queen's Bench.

The accused, using a 9 mm pistol, was acting in a rage when he deliberately gunned down the victim, the Crown said.

Kent died at the scene.

Joe Gormley, a worker with the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, testified he saw Roberts pumping bullets into Kent as the victim lay on the ground.

"Patrick Kent was already on the ground and Wayne was firing," said Gormley. "I looked up, he (Roberts) was leaning over him, about four feet away, firing."

Following the shooting, Roberts calmly walked back to his house before contacting police, court heard.

The jury didn't believe Roberts' contention that he acted in self-defence.

Roberts testified Nov. 8 he believed Kent was about to attack him when the shooting occurred just meters from the accused's house.

"I thought he was coming toward me with his hands open," Roberts testified. "I was definitely afraid. I wanted to stop him from coming toward me."

"He was going to do me grievous bodily harm or worse, I had no doubt about that. In intended to warn him, to stop him. He was going to hurt me quite badly."

Roberts had the pistol in his hand when he walked out of the house. Shortly after 1 p.m. he raised the weapon and began firing.

"I aimed and fired for his legs. I thought I missed. I took a couple steps forward and he wasn't moving at all. He was dead."

He said he did not remember the other shots he fired.

The jury chose to convict the Wale-born Roberts of the lesser charge of second degree murder.

On Nov. 8 defence counsel Braise MacDonald asked Roberts if he intended to kill Kent.

"Absolutely not," Roberts replied, saying Kent threatened him on two occasions in the weeks leading up to the shooting.

"You don't walk up to a man's house and threaten him unless you are a complete idiot," said Roberts.

On Nov. 7, Roberts testified he regretted the shooting had occurred.

"It should never have happened," said Roberts. "I was shocked. The thing's a tragedy for Mr. Kent's family and for my family."

The death came at the culmination of a years-long battle over an oilwell on accused's property.

Roberts alleged contamination on the property had been caused by the KB Resources well, court heard.

"I wanted this contamination cleaned up," said Roberts. "My argument was that KB was dragging their heels."

During the testimony, Roberts told Crown prosecutor Larry Stein that the only reason he was facing a first degree murder charge was that the victim was an oilman.

"If it had been a neighbour, it would have been a manslaughter charge," said Roberts. "You haven't broken me financially and I'm here to make my defence."

Olds RCMP Const. Randy Yashuk, chief investigator in the case, said police are pleased with the finding of guilt.

"It's been a long two years," said Yashuk.

"The prosecutors did a tireless job for the last few weeks. We were pleased with the Kent family for their patience."

It was not immediately known whether the defence will appeal the verdict.

The murder trial received wide-spread media coverage across Canada.

Meanwhile, a \$6 million lawsuit has been launched by Eagle Ridge Ranch Limited against several oil companies regarding alleged well site contamination, court heard.

# Elections Canada's new web site lets you follow election results "a la carte"

There is good news for everyone interested in elections. Elections Canada's new Web site

(www.elections.ca), launched in September 2000, allows you to follow election results live, for the electoral district of your choice.

"In view of the growing amount of information we put on-line and the increasing number of users, it was time to update our site," noted Jean-Pierre Kingsley, Chief Electoral Officer of Canada. "We want the general public and journalists to be able to find ready answers to their questions."

From now on, if you wish to follow election results on-line on election night, you can create a personalized menu on the Elections Canada Web site, including all the electoral districts for which you would like to see results. You can also follow developments in the popular vote and the number of seats won by the various registered parties in a large urban centre, a province, or the entire country. Preliminary results can even be emailed to you on request. The options for the personalized menu are available on the Elec-

tions Canada Web site now, since the general election has been called.

This personalized service is the first of its kind in Canada - in fact, in the world. It is just one of the many attractive features of the new Web site belonging to the agency that administers federal elections. The site provides complete and readily accessible information on the

election process, including election funding, the results of past elections, election legislation and administration. It also includes an election education section intended for young people.

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# Lifestyles

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## REMEMBERING WHEN...

Joyce Mullen was the honoured guest speaker at the Remembrance Day ceremonies held Nov. 11 at the Didsbury Memorial Complex.



## South West Didsbury news

### Mrs. Bessie Eckstrand

Congratulations to Bunny and Bill Burrell on the arrival of a new granddaughter Cheyenne Gordan, born October 30th in Calgary, weighing 7 lbs. Proud parents are Bob & Lorin Burrell. Grandmother, Bunny, spent a week in Calgary helping out with the new baby.

Area would like to welcome Sally and Murray King, and new baby born Nov. 6 at Peter Lougheed Hospital, weighing 8 lbs, 6 oz, named Tyson Gordon Murray, a brother for three-year-old Bradley. Murray is a Refrigerator Mechanic and works in Calgary, and the family has recently bought the Heather Forestell acreage. They took advantage of Halloween to visit in the community.

A nice crowd of about 20 ladies attended the November Coffee Party at Westcott Hall on Wednesday, November 8th and all enjoyed fruit loaf and cookies, etc.

Two newcomers were present:

1. Elke (and Brad) Redman and two children, Breanna - three years old and Logan - in Grade 2. Six months ago they purchased the former acreage of Ron and Caroline Olsen (Klinck) at Westcott.

Brad works in Calgary as an Industrial Painter and Elke works at both Ross Ford and Westglen Schools, helping out in the offices. They moved here from Calgary and originally from Saskatchewan.

Hope you soon get acquainted in the friendly neighbourhood. 2. Louise Krebs (husband Kevin) lives four miles west of Didsbury and one mile north (Krebs farm). Kevin farms part-time and Louise is a Dental Assistant.

We hope you folks will continue to come to Coffee Party.

Hostesses for December 13th Coffee Party are Syna Klinck and Trudy Robertson.

Westcott Hall built a new playground for the youngsters, the sponsors are much appreciated. Also new cupboards will be built in the near future.

I guess Old Man Winter is here, the first blast is always the hardest to take, and one has to dig out those heavy coats and boots.

## Wilma Derksen to speak during Restorative Justice Week

An advocate of restorative justice who found it the hard way is Wilma Derksen. Her daughter Candace was just 13 when she was abducted on her way home from school in November 1984. Six and a half weeks later, despite a massive search and frequent television appeals, she was found dead of exposure, with both her hands and feet bound.

Derksen will speak on the theme, "Hope and Healing" on Sunday evening, November 19, 7:00 p.m., at the Bergthal Mennonite Church. November 12-19, 2000 marks Restorative Justice Week throughout Canada and the world. Originally called "Prisoner's Sunday," the event has its roots in prison chaplaincies.

It began in England in 1975 as a day of compassion for those who are incarcerated. In 1995, Restorative Justice Week became a national event in Canada by decision of the Interfaith Committee on Chaplaincy, within the Correctional Service of Canada's Chaplaincy Division.

Derksen says she and her husband Cliff found themselves isolated, stigmatized and suspected of having killed their

own daughter.

Today Derksen heads Victims' Voice, a Mennonite project in Winnipeg for families of murder victims, and she publishes a journal called Pathways, telling stories of people who have seen murder close up.

Like others who survived the pain only by learning to forgive, she is passionate about restorative justice.

"Those principles say justice is about more than law. It's about people, and that makes sense to me."

Her initial experience of criminal justice was anything but happy.

"We expected everything to be just, whatever that means. You expect fairness; you expect service; you expect the same kind of service as you get in Wal-Mart or in church."

Derksen says that at the time she was dealing with volcanic rage, together with an almost indescribable fear for life because she had seen it taken away. Yet there was no outlet for those feelings. At the same time, she was appalled by the negative treatment she and her husband were getting from the justice system.

"We were shocked, and as we became friends with others who had experienced murder, that was validated. We just heard over and over again that there was no justice, and we saw the devastation of that."

"It's one thing to lose somebody to murder. It's another fatal blow to lose your faith in the system you live in. You lose your faith in humanity, you lose your faith in community, and there's not much left," said Derksen.

Starting from a primarily Christian focus, Restorative Justice Week now reaches out to members of all faiths, as well as to secular audiences. The scope of the week has also broadened to encompass all who are affected by crime - victims and their families, offenders and their families, criminal justice officials and the entire community.

As the term "restorative" implies, restorative justice seeks to make things right, to bring balance and harmony back into the community and into the lives of victims, after a crime has been committed. Making things right can take many forms, from victim-offender mediation (a face-to-face encounter and dialogue

between victim and offender), to sentencing circles (inspired by Aboriginal traditions), to community justice forums (bringing victim and offender together with their supporters to discuss harm done and to create restorative solutions), and circles of support and accountability (developing restorative communities of support around ex-offenders that both support and hold the offender accountable). Restorative justice can also include community service and financial reparation to the victim.

What all of these programs have in common is that they focus on repairing the harm done when a crime is committed, rather than simply blaming and punishing. That does not mean that offenders "get off lightly."

On the contrary most offenders who have participated in some type of restorative justice say that it's much harder to face their victims(s) and community members than to simply "do time." Restorative justice encourages offenders to take personal responsibility for their actions, and to set about repairing the harm they have caused to their

victim(s) and the community. For many victims, being able to confront the one who harmed them, ask questions, receive a sincere apology, and obtain assurances that they will not be victimized in future, is often the key to healing and being able to put the past behind them.

The presentation by Wilma Derksen has been made possible by the Mennonite Central Committee and the Chaplaincy Division of Correctional Services Canada.

Locally, several individuals and couples participate in Restorative Justice through monthly visits to men in the Bowden Institution through MCC's M2/W2 Prison visitation program.

Didsburian, Ken From, directs MCC's Community Justice Ministries program of supporting churches in their ministries to people affected by crime.

Article by Ken From, Director.

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## Decisions, decisions, decisions

Many area shoppers preparing for the Christmas season were faced with a lot of tough choices last Thursday and Friday, when the Ten Thousand Villages Craft Sale was in town at the Train Station.

Hosted by the Bergthal Mennonite Church Ladies, this annual sale offers residents many hand-crafted gift items made by artisans around the world.

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## Words from Westglen

By Brittany Derksen

November at Westglen began with a BANG, or should I say a "slap shot!" On Nov. 6, the Olds Grizzlys Team arrived to play a game of floor hockey with the Grade 5's and Grade 6's for the lunch hour.

The Grizzlys team members that came to play were #11, Tyler Brosz (captain), #20, Bruce

Mulherin, #1 John Haggis, #17, Derrik Rupprech, #9, Brent Kisio, and #4, David Erickson.

"Not often you are able to go somewhere and just play a game like this," words from one of the Grizzlys team members.

The team gave away jerseys to the opposite team to wear while they were playing. But they had to

be returned after the game was over. Just asking a few students that played, they all said the same thing, that it was the most fun they have had, in school.

## Mount View Lodge News

By Annie Caush

Hi all- After our lovely Indian Summer this storm is most unwelcome! I guess we'll all have to stay indoors for awhile.

We have had several trips and special events here at the Lodge. A good group enjoyed a drive out west and had coffee in Sundre on the way home. They picked a nice day so enjoyed the drive.

Last Thursday several of us went to the Carstairs Lodge for their fall tea. We had a nice time visiting over coffee.

On October 31st we had a Halloween Party here. Some of us even "dressed up" for the occasion. Had some contests and lunch.

In the evening we welcomed 43 little visitors for "trick or treats." Not as many as usual, but they sure were well-dressed and so cute.

Last Friday Al and Gloria Gorrill came and played old-time music for us. Thanks so much.

Our newest resident is Martha Ross. We hope you soon feel "at home" here.

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**Ross Ford Report****By Carlee Krebs & Kevin Hill**

Thursday, Nov. 9, a special assembly was held to remember the men who were killed in the war. Several Legion members were present and marched in with the Color Party, led by Tyler Brilz and David Thring.

Mrs. Brown's Grade 3 class told us the story about the poppy. Mrs. Eckstrand's class recited "In Flanders Fields" by John McRae. Mrs. Jensen's class told us how to solve problems and lead us in a school pledge. All of these Grade 3 classes were very good!

We sang several songs about peace and poppies, led by Miss Christensen and Mrs. Gole. Allison Goerzen and Cory Mitchell were very good emcees. We got to listen to the Last Post and Reveille played by Nathan Dahl. Mr. Spence showed us his slides of Flanders Field and war memorials in Belgium.

All of these things helped the students of Ross Ford understand Remembrance Day better. Mr. Wilkins, of the Legion, thanked all the students for recognizing this special day.

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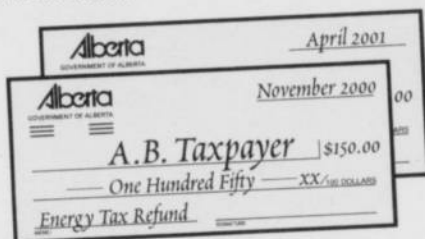
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## TO YOUR MAILBOX

### Alberta's Energy Tax Refund

The Alberta Energy Tax Refund is a program aimed at helping relieve the pressures of higher than normal energy costs including home heating costs, high prices at the gas pumps and other energy expenses. The program is possible because of higher than expected resource revenues and will put \$690 million back into the pockets of 2.3 million Albertans.



#### How much will I receive?

Alberta's Energy Tax Refund will give each eligible Albertan \$300 paid in two installments of \$150 - the first in late November 2000, and the second in April 2001.

Albertans will receive their energy tax refund cheques in the mail the week of November 27, 2000. However, for those who have submitted late changes of address or had other special circumstances, cheques will not arrive in mailboxes until February.

#### Who is eligible for the refund?

To be eligible you must be 16 years of age and over, and a resident of Alberta as of August 31, 2000 for the first payment, and April 1, 2001 for the second. Albertans **must** file a 1999 income tax return by April 1, 2001 to qualify for the refund, even if you have no income to report.

#### How do I apply?

People who filed their income taxes in Alberta for 1999 and have not changed their address since filing will be mailed the refund automatically. You will need to change your address with Canada Customs and Revenue Agency at 1-800-959-8281 if:

- you moved to Alberta before the cut-off dates and filed a 1999 income tax return in Canada, or
- you moved within the province since filing your 1999 income tax return.

Once this is done, you will automatically receive your refund cheque(s) in the mail.

If you have not filed your 1999 income tax return, you can request an information package from Alberta Connects toll free at 310-4455. The package includes all the forms you will need to file your income tax and qualify for the Alberta Energy Tax Refund.

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### Alberta's Electricity Auction Rebate

The Alberta government is distributing the proceeds of the electricity auction to all Alberta power consumers. The auction, which was held in August, gave qualified companies the rights to sell electricity from the province's generating plants. The auction was an important step in restructuring Alberta's power industry to invite competition and to improve consumer choice. Increased competition will better provide for the future needs of Albertans and help lower costs in the long-term.

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**Non-residential:** All other consumers will receive a rebate based on the amount of power they use. For example, the non-residential rebate will benefit schools, community halls, recreation centres, municipalities, businesses, farm operations, seniors lodges, and hospitals.

#### Who is eligible for the rebate?

Everyone who receives a power bill will receive a rebate. Tenants who do not receive a power bill should discuss the Alberta Electricity Auction Rebate program with their landlords to determine how the rebate will affect the electricity portion of their rent.

#### How do I apply?

No application is necessary. The rebate will appear automatically as a monthly credit on your power bill.

The residential rebate runs for one year, starting January 2001. The non-residential rebate also runs for one year, and will begin between January and March 2001.

To find out more about the rebate or the new direction for Alberta's electricity industry, call the toll free Alberta Connects line at 310-4455 or visit [www.consumerchoice.gov.ab.ca](http://www.consumerchoice.gov.ab.ca)

# WAY OF LIFE RELIGION

## Focus on the Family



**QUESTION:** I've always thought a man should be willing to work and sacrifice to reach his goals. I've heard you say "cool the passion and postpone the dream." That isn't the way I was taught.

**DR. DOBSON:** There's nothing wrong with having a passion and a dream. They should, however, be kept in balance with other valuable components of your life — your family and your relationship with God being chief among them. Let me illustrate that need to keep the various components of our lives in perspective. I read an article in the Los Angeles Times about a man whose goal in life was to produce lemons of record-breaking size from the tree in his back yard. He came up with a formula to do just that. He fertilized the tree with ashes from the fireplace, some rabbit and goat manure, a few rusty nails and plenty of water. That spring, the scrawny little tree produced two gigantic lemons, one weighing more than 5 pounds. But every other lemon on the tree was shriveled and misshapen. The man is still working on his formula. Isn't that the way it is in life? Great investments in a particular endeavor tend to rob others of their potential. I'd rather have a tree covered with juicy lemons than a record-breaking but freakish crop, wouldn't you? Balance is the word. It is the key to successful living — and parenting. Husbands and wives who fill their lives with a never-ending volume of work are too exhausted to take walks together, to share their deeper feelings, to understand and meet each other's needs.

This breathless pace predominates in millions of households, leaving every member of the family frazzled and irritable. Husbands are moonlighting to bring home more money. Wives are on their own busy career track. Their children are often ignored, and life goes speeding by in a deadly routine. Even some grandparents are too busy to keep the grandkids. I see this kind of overcommitment as the quickest route to the destruction of the family. And there simply must be a better way. Some friends of mine recently sold their house and moved into a smaller and less expensive place just so they could lower their payments and reduce the hours required in the workplace. That kind of downward mobility is almost unheard of today; it's almost un-American.

But when we reach the end of our lives and we look back on the things that mattered most, those precious relationships with people we loved will rank at the top of the list. If friends and family will be a treasure to us then, why not live like we believed it today?

That may be the best advice I have ever given anyone — and the most difficult to implement. So keep your dream and your passion. Work hard to achieve the success you crave. But don't let it become a 5-pound lemon that destroys the rest of your crop. You'll regret it if you do!

**QUESTION:** When parents need help with sex education, who do you think should provide it?

**DR. DOBSON:** It is my strong conviction that churches believing in abstinence before marriage and in lifelong marital fidelity should step in and offer their help to families sharing that commitment. Where else will moms and dads find proponents of traditional morality in this permissive day? There is no other agency or institution likely to represent the theology of the church better than the church itself. It is puzzling to me why so few have accepted this challenge, given the attack on biblical concepts of morality today.

A few parents who enroll their children in private schools are able to get the help they need with sex education.

Even there, however, the subject is often ignored or handled inadequately. What has developed, unfortunately, is an information vacuum that sets the stage for far-reaching programs in the public schools that go beyond parental wishes, beginning in some cases with kindergarten children.

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## Cremona Gold & Silver News

By Lita Reid

President Donna Dole opened the meeting with an hilarious tale about "What Do You Like to do on a Beautiful Summer's Day."

There was a good crowd who enjoyed a varied and delicious Pot Luck Supper.

Secretary Lila Robertson read the minutes of the Oct. meeting and they were adopted as read.

Marie Olson gave the Treasurer's Report and also read a thank you letter from the Wolf Willow W.I. reporting a very good turn out at their Lady's Night on Oct. 11.

Penny Fox, coordinator of the Cremona Christmas Gift Sale, addressed our meeting asking whether or not the Gold & Silver would consider having the overflow of tables as there is not enough room in the Community Hall for all who wish to participate and rent a table. Lita Reid moved and Audrey Rigby seconded that we allow the Hall to be used for the sale. This motion carried. Some members will help decorate the Hall on Dec. 1.

Gwen Hatton graciously accepted the honour of representing the 5-0 by laying a wreath at the Nov. 11 Remembrance Day Service in the Community Hall.

Romelda Judd reminded all interested to sign up for the Christmas Light Tour on Dec. 12. The bus will be leaving the Centre at 4:30 so all attending can enjoy supper before the tour. Lila Robertson and Romelda decided to dip into the Travel Fund so as to lessen the cost from \$25.00 to \$20.00 per person. This is good value for a dinner and "night out." Any senior wishing to join the tour can phone Romelda at 946-5227 or Lila at 946-5216.

Bridge games continue each Wednesday - usually with two tables playing. The cribbage games every Thursday evening are enjoyed by all who attend.

New players are encouraged to join any week.

Carpet Bowling is up and running with 27 participants while 32 would round out our teams. We invite any senior interested to come and enjoy this activity on Tuesday afternoons to come at 1:30. Games on two carpets are at 1:30 and 2:30 and Friday at 1:30.

Alan Reid is asking present members to bring family photos for our collections in the museum in the basement.

Marie Olson informed those present that 29 new trees have been planted in the new Seniors' Park on the south side of town near the Information Centre. Lita Reid represented the Club while planting trees with representatives of the Village. They planted spruce, tamarack, saskatoon, black pine, white poplar, and wolf willow. We

trust that some of the energetic seniors will help weed and water them in the coming year.

Marie noted that we have a finicky freezer in our refrigerator! At times the ice cream is melted then the next time everything is rock hard. She recommended not leaving ice cream there between Pot Luck gatherings.

Alan Reid suggested that the wood frames around the outside of the south windows are in need of being spruced up and suggested that we have them clad with metal. Doug Rogers moved and Alan seconded that we see to this next spring. Carried.

Donna suggested that anyone wishing to present a reading or any entertainment before or at a meeting - not to be shy in offering their talents. Jean Boyle moved adjournment.

## Study abroad this year

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Students or families interested in more information about World Heritage programs, or to set up an interview, should contact Angela at (705) 745-4147 or Mary at 1-800-888-9040.

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8:30 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sunday  
10:30 a.m. Every Sunday, Holy Eucharist  
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Sunday School & Nursery Sept-June  
Services followed by Fellowship Hour  
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### Chinook Winds Christian Centre

Pastors Richard & Beth Kope extend a warm invitation to new area residents to visit us in our brand new facility.  
1710 - 14 St. Didsbury  
SUNDAY CELEBRATION: 10 a.m.  
For info regarding services and weekly activities for the whole family, please call us at 335-3551 or 335-3323

### Fortress Baptist Church

Meeting at the Didsbury Train Station  
(SW entrance facing businesses)  
Pastor Jim Warkentin • 335-4878  
Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Meet you at the Station.

### St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24th Ave. Didsbury Phone 556-3084  
Mass Time: 7:00 p.m. 1st Saturday

### Bergthal Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta  
5 kilometers south of the Didsbury overpass  
8 kilometers East on Bergthal Road  
Summer Schedule (June 25 - Sept. 3)  
Worship Service @ 10:45 a.m.  
Children's Church (ages 3 - grade 3)  
For more information phone 335-4451 (church office)

### Redeemer Lutheran

LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA  
1500 - 23rd Street  
Rev. Robert Mohs  
Church: 335-3161 / Res: 335-3656  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Study Sunday: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
Jr. & Senior Youth, Women's & Seniors  
Ministry Group, Small Group Bible Study meetings throughout the week.

### West Zion Mennonite Church

South of Didsbury to sign - west 1-1/2 miles  
Pastor Jim Miller, Information call 337-2020  
Sept 1st-June 20th  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.  
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### Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

2030 - 21st Avenue  
Phone: 335-3629  
Grant Sikstrom, Senior Pastor  
Josh Munan, Associate Pastor  
David Black, Youth Pastor  
9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Celebration in Worship  
11:15 - 12:30 p.m. Celebration in Worship  
10:10 - 11:05 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
Contact the church regarding Bible Studies, Care Groups, Teen Activities & Children's programs.

### Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church

(14 Kilometers East of Didsbury)  
Pastor John Lucas  
Office: 335-4422  
Home: 335-8923  
Sunday School For All Ages 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
For information concerning weekly activities please call the church office.

### Knox United Didsbury

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Minister Rev. Malcolm Proff  
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Sunday Worship and Sunday School 10:00 a.m. each Sunday

See You in Church This Sunday!



# Faces

a brief glimpse at people and events in our community

Compiled by Kathleen Windsor



Derek Lewis

## New Season for Theatre Didsbury

Participants from Theatre Didsbury are busy once again with their latest production, "Love, Sex and the I.R.S.". "We opened at the Hainstock Community Hall on October 21st," says director, Derek Lewis, "and then played at Bowden, Cottonwood, Harmattan, and we're in Carstairs and Spruce View next weekend." Theatre Didsbury is in their ninth season of performing plays in south-central Alberta and is headed by Derek Lewis and Tony Sylvestre. "I glad I have Tony as a foil," says Derek, "we trust each other implicitly." Which is great for the rest of us, because their performances continue to be hits with comedy lovers all over. "We're performing in Acme on the 24th," says Derek, "which will be interesting; we've never been there before." Then they head to Torrington, Irricana, and Crossfield. Even better for folks from Didsbury will be the dinner theatres at Westglen Middle School on December 9th and 15th. "We've designed these functions to accommodate small company Christmas parties," says Derek. Tickets are \$25. each and can be purchased at Mountain View Sports Excellence, or through Derek at 335-4777. Cocktails begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner following at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 8:00 p.m. Theatre Didsbury performed this play several years ago, and Derek and Marjory Lally are the only surviving members of the cast and crew. "Marjory is reprising the role of Mrs. Trachtman," says Derek, "and I'm acting as director and appearing in the show as well." This American sit-com is about two roommates, played by John Whittaker and Peter Winter, one of whom is cheating on his taxes by claiming the two are a married couple, "and it evolves from there," says Derek with a twinkle. Other cast members include Katherine Whittaker, Jackie Shields, Darcy Conley, and James Edwards. Backstage is organized by Lisa Sylvestre, and Evan Lewis ably handles sound and lighting. This is a great show, and you certainly won't want to miss it, but in case you do miss the Didsbury dinner theatre, you can catch the performance on the 27th of January at the Memorial Complex, and support the community's Rick Rudy fundraising efforts. Rehearsals for Theatre Didsbury's next performance, "Run for your Wife", a very British-type of situation comedy, will be commencing later this month, with the first show in February. "It's a lot of hard work," says Derek, "but it's a fun commitment, and the proof is in the pudding!" Derek's right; the plays are terrific, so why not plan your company Christmas party with Theatre Didsbury. It's guaranteed to be a great evening!



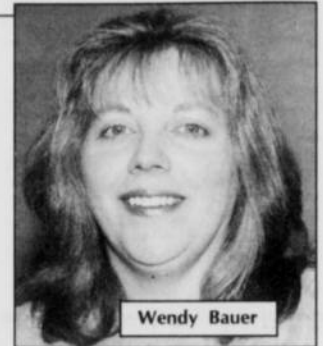
Pastor Rob Mohns

## Let's Talk Turkey

"As long as I don't get given credit for any of the cooking," says Pastor Rob Mohns of the Redeemer Lutheran Church, when asked about the upcoming Turkey Dinner. "The congregation cooks up a terrific feast and does a wonderful job," he says. What he's talking about is the annual Turkey Dinner being held at the Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 19th from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the church gymnasium. "It's been running for many years," he says, "and began a long time before I got here five years ago." It's a great opportunity for the congregation to visit with members of the community and touch base with old friends. There's a special addition to this year's traditional dinner as well. "The ladies are also doing a cookie sale," says Pastor Mohns, with the money raised being sent to the Rick Rudy fund. "I look forward to this every year," he adds, "because it gives me an opportunity to see new faces in the community and be in contact with people I don't always get to see very often." Tickets for the Turkey Dinner are just \$8.50 for adults, or \$25. for a family. "It's usually full," says Pastor Mohns, "so you will want to come early to eat." Then he adds with a little smile in his voice, "especially for those homemade pies. They go fast!"

## It's Ladies Night Out!

For the past two years, the Didsbury Municipal Library has hosted a special evening especially for ladies in the community, and this year the tradition continues with the annual Fashion Show on Saturday, November 25th. "It's the major fundraiser we have every year," says coordinator, Wendy Bauer. "We have had lots of success with it," and she adds, "everybody enjoys it and has a really good time. Our MCs are really good too." This year's Library Fashion Show takes place at the Didsbury Memorial Complex, with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. The Fashion Show itself begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at the library, or from Potentials and Sidestreet, and are just \$15. "It's really important for people to get their tickets early," says Wendy, "because we need some lead-time for the caterers." Ticket price includes coffee, drinks, and "very decadent desserts," says Wendy with a smile. Fashions will be modeled from Potentials and the new Wendy's Kid's Fashions from Didsbury, and Sidestreet in Olds. "There's door prizes as well," adds Wendy. Funds raised at this year's Fashion Show will go towards enhancing the collection at the library. "We need more children's books," says Wendy, "because they get used. We need to replace some of the well-worn and popular books in the kid's section. We are also offering a lot of Incarta programs online," she says, "and those cost a lot of money. There's some cool stuff we'd like to bring in too." Gather up some friends, get your tickets early, and head on over to the Complex on the 25th for a really good time. "We want lots of people," says Wendy. The more, the merrier!



Wendy Bauer



Ruth Jepson's carolers

## Here We Come A-Caroling!

One thing about Didsbury ... we certainly know how to welcome folks to town. This holiday season will be no different, as people coming to Didsbury from the east on Highway 582 will be greeted by a group of delightful Christmas carolers, compliments of local artist, Ruth Jepson. "We were meeting to discuss the Didsbury theme of decoration," says Ruth, "and talked about trying to get a continued theme from the edge of town to the centre." Funds were limited, and Ruth suggested that it might be nice to do some figures at the 'Welcome to Didsbury' sign by the hospital. "Well," she says, "they said 'yes, it was a jolly good idea'. So they bought the wood and I donated my time and painted these 8 foot carolers in a traditional Victorian caroler theme," she says smiling. It is a great idea, and the carolers will definitely be a welcomed addition at the entrance to town. "Victorian carolers are a traditional Christmas image," says Ruth, "and they seem to be more colourful than somebody in everyday grunge," she adds with a smile. This was no easy task for Ruth, who has also painted murals at the schools and arena, as well as being the artist for the golfer on the town's water tower. "It took me a day to draw and cut them out," she says, "and I've stolen time from my regular work to do them when I was able." Handling these enormous figures is not for the weak either. "Going up and down is a lot of work," she says, "and 8 foot by 4 foot sheets of plywood require quite a bit of lifting." Ruth started the project mid-October, painted them in enamel, and then followed up with two coats to varnish to protect them from the elements. "We'll have to stand them properly so they can be put anywhere," she says. There are spotlights at the 'Welcome' sign as well, which will really help dress up the display. "They should look really nice because of the little trees at the 'Welcome' sign", Ruth says. "They'll help make it look more realistic." Watch out for Ruth's latest creation in the next couple of weeks, and as Ruth says with a smile, "they'll be up for Midnight Madness no matter what!"

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# How does living with violence affect the family?

November is "Prevention of Family Violence" month in Alberta. The following article was submitted by Karen Pease from the Wheatland Communities Crisis Society.

Family violence occurs in all types of families; rich and poor; young and old; in all cultures

and in any setting: urban, rural and isolated communities.

Family violence affects *everyone* in the family?

The Victim:

- Those who endure prolonged abuse may accept blame for the abuse and feel inadequate.

- The may put more value on the relationship than their well-being.

- The seriousness of the abuse may be minimized and/or excused.

- They live in fear and confusion and believe they have no alternatives.

The Abuser:

- Those who abuse have an extreme need to control others.

- They usually blame the victim for causing the violence.

- They have difficulty expressing their feelings.

- They are unable to understand how other people feel.

The Children:

Even if children do not directly witness the abuse going on in their home they are aware of it and affected in many ways.

- They may have behaviour problems at home, school and social settings.



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# Business

New Businesses & Ownership • Farm News & Views • Auction Market Reports

## Dallas Taylor Decor offers options to Didsburians

By Nicole Smith

Thinking of making some changes around the house or around the office?

Dallas Taylor Decor is a new business in town offering various interior design services to its clients.

Owner Janine Pearson offers many different services to her clients, including custom blinds, wallpaper, drapery and colour consulting.

"We offer a little bit of everything," Pearson said.

She's not new to the business, as Pearson has been involved in the decor industry for the past 14 years, both as an interior decorator in Calgary and then as a sales representative for wallpaper and blinds companies.

As far as her business in Didsbury, she's been located in the Realty Executives office since mid-October, but has been running the business from her home in Carstairs for over a year.

Pearson says that all estimates are free, except for colour

consulting, and she offers in-home consultations.

She says that her clients recognize many of the brands she carries, including Hunter Douglas, Levolor, Imperial Wall Coverings and York Wall Coverings.

Pearson says that she is able to do an entire room design for her customers, with everything from furniture to wallpaper and blinds.

Pearson charges \$25/ hour for colour consulting and says that the rest of her prices are "very comparable to Calgary prices."

She says that it takes about six to eight weeks for custom drapery to be installed, which her husband does, and about two weeks for blinds.

"This is something I really enjoy working with," Pearson said.

"I have a lot of industry experience - sales and manufacturing experience - and it's something I've been involved with for 14 years now."

### DESIGN FOR DIDSBURY

Janine Pearson offers various interior decor services to Didsburians, including customer blinds and drapery, wallpaper and colour consulting.



Pearson can be reached by calling 507-9221.



## New crop insurance cash advance available

Alberta Crop Insurance policy holders who have suffered major crop losses this year due to drought, frost, cutworms or other insurable losses can now apply for a cash advance on their 2000 crop insurance claim.

New processes are now in place to respond quickly to major crop loss situations, so crop insurance customers can receive a portion of their claim right away.

"A good example of the kind of situation we hope to address with this advance is the volume of crop insurance claims we are seeing now in southern Alberta," says Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Ty Lund. "With this year's drought in that area, accounts are due, an advance on verified claims can bring welcome relief for farmers."

Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC), administers the Crop Insurance program. AFSC staff will contact south-region farmers who have already filed a claim to see if they wish to apply for an advance.

"We know there are cash flow challenges in many parts of the province," Lund adds. "Where it's reasonably clear that a claim is justified, we want to provide flexible options that respond to farmers' needs faster."

Farmers who choose to participate may receive up to 50 per cent of the loss indicated on their estimated Harvested Production Reports in advance. The remainder of the claim will be settled once a crop insurance adjuster visits the farm to verify and complete the claim.

Brian Manning, AFSC president and managing director, said farmers outside of southern Alberta will not automatically be contacted by AFSC, since most have not yet filed their Harvested Production Reports. Farmers from other parts of the province who are interested in a crop insurance cash advance may call AFSC to have their individual situation assessed.

"There's no additional paperwork to fill out, so the process has been greatly streamlined to be extremely responsive," Says Manning. "After we

get confirmation by phone or e-mail the the farmer wants an advance, a cheque should be on its way in about three days."

"The cash advance is an effective way to manage the bottle-neck of on-farm claim adjustments that naturally occur when volumes are high. The quick response is possible through improved reporting from farmers and computer upgrades that speed up claim processing times."

A similar cash advance program for farmers applying under the Farm Income Disaster Program (FIDP) was recently announced. Farmers can now apply for FIDP assistance before filing their income tax return and can claim up to 50 per cent of their estimated eligible payments in the fall. The final FIDP application deadline for the 2000 crop year is July 31, 2001. Farmers wishing to apply for cash advance under the Crop Insurance program can contact their local AFSC district office or call 1-800-396-0215. For FIDP cash advances, farmers can call 1-800-851-5070.

# Committee to resolve livestock operations issues

A new committee will finalize provincial recommendations on outstanding issues related to the development and operation of Alberta's livestock industry.

The committee, chaired by Alberta Klapstein, MLA for Leduc, will recommend a framework that ensures sustainable

industry development.

They will examine issues including provincial and municipal roles, approval processes and on-going monitoring and enforcement.

Ty Lund, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, said the committee will complement the work of

the Livestock Regulations Stakeholder Advisory Group who presented a report to the Minister last May.

"We will not be revisiting the work undertaken by the Advisory Group," says Lund.

"The report was scientific and very thorough, but a few issues still have to be ad-

dressed. This is the final step we must take to iron out those issues so that we can complete our provincial strategy."

The committee also includes producer Ben Thorlakson and Roelof Heinen, former president of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties.

Lund said members of the livestock industry and other Albertans want these issues resolved as soon as possible.

The Minister has asked the committee to report within six months, allowing for prompt action while giving the committee sufficient time to address the issues.

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# Albertans have choice in winter energy use

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Getting the car tuned-up, finding the shovels and bringing out the winter jackets are just part of a yearly ritual Albertans go through to prepare for winter.

But this year, you are also going to have to think about your energy use throughout the cold winter months. With increased market prices for electricity and natural gas, Albertans are gearing up for a winter with low temperatures and potentially high energy bills.

As an energy provider, ATCO offers solutions that will keep consumers' quality of life up and costs down.

By providing some useful tips on energy management, the company can help Albertans take the bite out of their energy bills this winter.

"We know this is a difficult time and we share our customers' concerns about rate increases because we are not only employees, we are consumers, too," said Dick Frey, Managing Director of the Utilities Group.

"We're all affected by increased energy costs and we want customers to know that we are working with them to keep their monthly costs down."

ATCO launched a series of energy conservation tips and suggestions inserted in their monthly bills, on their Web sites and in local newspapers.

The purpose of the campaign is two-fold - to increase understanding about how the rate changes will affect customers and also to empower them to become energy-wise consumers.

The message is simple: you don't have to sacrifice the comforts and benefits of energy because rates are changing.

"There are many easy

ways to make the energy you use go further," Frey explains.

"Simply by turning your heat down, switching off lights and unplugging unused appliances, you can make a big difference in your monthly energy use."

By making wise choices, you not only enjoy the comforts of an energy-efficient home, you also keep more money where it belongs: in your wallet.

## Tips to lower your energy bill:

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## Dairy industry to move to independent control

In order to facilitate moving governance of the province's dairy industry to an independent, democratically elected structure, the Alberta Dairy Control Board (DCB) has been replaced with an interim chair.

This is the first step in beginning implementation of recommendations outlined in an MLA report on dairy governance. Drayton Valley - Calmar MLA Tom Thurber conducted the review of dairy industry governance during the summer of 2000 at the request of Ty Lund, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. Thurber met with dairy producers and processors from around the province during the review.

Currently, the DCB, a Crown corporation whose members are appointed by the Agriculture Minister, governs the dairy industry. The DCB maintains the regulatory system for supply management, allotting quota to producers and directing supply to processors.

"It is very clear from Tom Thurber's report that the dairy industry wants control over its own future," says Lund.

"This is the only remaining agricultural sector still under Crown control. As the other sectors have shown, government is not needed to run this industry."

Brian Rhiness, Assistant Deputy Minister of the In-

dustrial Development Sector, Alberta Agriculture, has been appointed as interim chair and will administer the DCB during its transition to an elected body.

Rhiness is the former general manager of the Agricultural Products Marketing Council.

This winter, Rhiness will oversee a democratic election process for a producer delegate body.

This body will elect producer representatives to sit on the DCB and its Policy Advisory Committee will be equally composed of producers and processors.

The new DCB and its Policy Advisory Committee will work with the Agricultural Products Marketing Council to accommodate the needs of the industry and to complete implementation of Thurber's recommendations for a long-term legislative and regulatory framework.

"Self-management will help the dairy industry build on its successes and find more effective ways to work together for growth," says Lund.

"I am hopeful that this process can be completed within the next 12 to 18 months."

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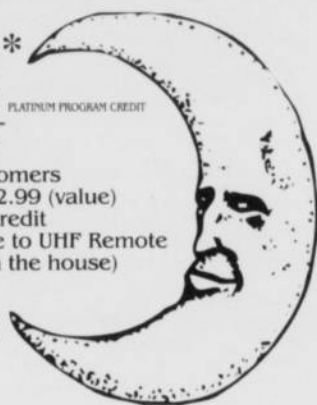
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Since the beginning of April, southern Alberta continues to be extremely dry as a result of a lack of precipitation.

Current predictions from National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and Environment Canada indicate a continuation of below-normal precipitation in southern Alberta this month and near-normal precipitation for this winter (December to February).

Water storage as of November 1, in the major irrigation and hydroelectric reservoirs in the Red Deer and North Saskatchewan River basins is normal for this time of the season.

In the Bow and Oldman River basins, reservoirs are below-normal except for Kehoe Lake, Lake McGregor, Lake Newell and Crawling Valley Reservoir, which are normal.

The Water Supply Outlook report will continue to be published monthly, but will focus on the upcoming water year 2000-2001.

Until February, the report will provide mid to long-term water supply forecasts and report on reservoirs storage conditions, snow accumulation, and precipitation.

The report is being published to continue monitoring the extremely dry conditions in southern Alberta.

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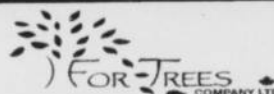
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# Environmental remediation program announced

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Through site assessment and remediation, the program will help identify and take necessary action to address environmental issues at eligible underground retail petroleum storage sites. \$80 million has been allocated for this program, which will run from October 2000 to March 31, 2002.

In the first stage of the program, initial site assessments will be conducted to determine whether remediation is required. In the second stage, the site will be remediated to appropriate standards, based on information obtained from the environmental assessment. Site assessments will begin in the near future, and required remediation work will begin in the spring. A certification letter will be issued when the site meets appropriate environmental standards.

Environmental site assessments will be funded up to a maximum of \$10,000 per site. Municipalities and retail owners of single sites will be reimbursed for remediation costs up to a maximum of \$100,000 per site. Small retail owners of multiple sites will be reimbursed

according to a sliding scale based on the number of sites. An appeal mechanism will also be established, and hardship situations considered on a case-by-case basis.

"This program has been

put in place to deal with environmental remediation required as a result of the implementation of new standards in the Alberta Fire Code," Paszkowski indicated.

"Once a site has been

remediated to appropriate environmental standards, the property owners will be solely responsible for meeting all standards in the future."

A retroactivity component of the program will

recognize responsible municipalities and small retailers who have cleaned up their sites since the Alberta Fire Code was amended September 1, 1992. It is anticipated that some retroactive pay-

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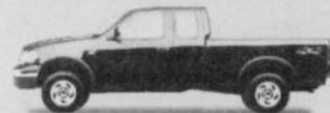
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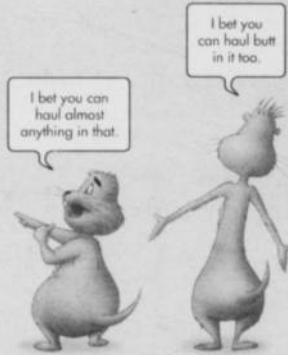
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# Sports & Entertainment

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## Water Valley cowboys capture Canadian championships

By Barry Williams

Water Valley roughstock competitors, Glen O'Neill and Rob Bell captured Canadian championships at the Canadian Finals Rodeo held in Edmonton from Nov. 8-12.

Bell defended his Canadian title in the bull riding event, while O'Neill captured his first title in the saddle bronc competition.

Despite being bucked off by Skoal Moves in the final go-around, O'Neill won the championship on 130 accumulated points. Heading into the final on Sunday afternoon, O'Neill was the leader but a pair of 80 rides by Rod Warren and Rod Hay and the go-around lead meant the judges had to tally up the aggregate score to determine a winner. O'Neill won the average on five completed rides and collected 30 extra points for the best aggregate total which gave him the championship.

It was certainly a different result for O'Neill this year as he was the model of consistency covering all five mounts to up to the final round, winning one round and splitting another. Last year, the friendly landed immigrant from Australia broke a bone in his leg in the first go-around and was forced out of the competition and also the National Finals Rodeo.

Even though the judges and arena secretary took some time in tabulating the final scores of the saddle bronc competitors, the final celebration was awarded to O'Neill.

"The saddle bronc championship was a model of consistency. Except for a little trouble in this final round, O'Neill

was probably the most consistent rider at this rodeo," said Q91 Radio announcer Pete Montanna.

"The way he (Glen O'Neill) worked so hard to come back from the injury sustained last year was a test of his competitiveness towards the sport, he's a true professional," Montanna added.

Meanwhile, the bull riding competition came down to two cowboys in the final round, Big Valley's Kelly Armstrong and Bell. But when Armstrong failed to cover his mount Copenhagen Skoal in the final go-around, all Bell needed was a clean ride. Everyone at the Skyreach Centre and those watching the rodeo on CTV Sports Net or listening to it on Q91 radio were sitting on the edge of their seats as the defending champion was matched against the 2000 Bull of the Year, Franklins Rodeo's Tad Pole. It was one champion athlete pitted against another champion. When the final eight second whistle sounded, Bell was saluting the fans and his two fallen comrades, Glen Keeley and Chris Self with a 90.5 ride, the fourth best arena score in CFR history; Cody Snyder, a former world champion holds the CFR record with a 92.

Radio commentator, Duane Daines called the match up between Tad Pole and Bell "incredible".

"You can't get a better situation for a Canadian championship ride, a defending champion and a Bull of the Year, it's absolutely perfect," Daines added in his commentary about the ride.



When the ride was completed Daines called it, "incredible, it was just about perfect, the rider and the animal did their job to the best of their ability and then some."

Olds bareback rider, Bill Boyd, the CPRA season money leader, was amongst the top three riders going into the final round, but an 86 ride by Davey Shields Jr. knocked Boyd out of the leaderboard. Boyd was riding with a bit of disadvantage as he had a cast on his right leg which

he broke in a farm accident prior to riding in his 18th consecutive CFR.

In the calf roping, former Canadian champions, Carstairs' Joe Lucas, Water Valley's Marc Nugent, Wiborne's Guy Smith and Madden's Cliff Williamson were going after a Canadian championship.

Nugent and Lucas were in contention until the last round, where Darren Shaw tied his calf the quickest amongst the three front runners to capture the

Canadian championship. Perhaps the loudest salute to any competitor was a standing ovation for Cliff Williamson, who has won a million dollars roping in Canada. Williamson was competing in his 21st consecutive CFR, a Canadian record for any event.

As the cowboys pack their riggin at the conclusion of another exciting rodeo season, Bell and O'Neill are trekking to Las Vegas to participate in the National Finals Rodeo.

## Two minutes for skating

By Robert Magee

It's crackdown year in the National Hockey League.

And boy, are they cracking down!

Director of Officiating, Andy Van Hellemond, has told his troops that stick work, and clutching and grabbing will no longer be tolerated. And it's a good thing - to a point.

There were far too many slashes and holds last season, and as a result goal scoring was down significantly. There were also too many injuries that were a result of a stupid slash.

Toronto Maple Leaf's Yanic Perreault was out close to two months, and just before playoffs, due to a ridiculously careless slash by former Ottawa Senators goaltender, Tom Barraso.

So all the nonsense that slowed this game down is slowly being stopped, but now the pendulum has swung too far the other way. Players are getting called for barely touching a guy, and I do mean barely. Not only that, players are taking advantage of this by diving or falling much too easily to attract a call.

As a result of all these powerplays, a lot of third and fourth line players are seeing very limited ice time. This also means less five-on-five hockey, which in effect, limits the back and forth action, the most exciting brand of hockey to watch.

But if that's what it takes to eliminate careless play, then so be it. We're losing too many valuable players and superstars to violent acts. If you remember Gary Suter's hit on Paul Kariya, you'll know what I'm talking about. How about young Marian Hossa's wild turnaround shot that may possibly leave Bryan Berard with no sight in one eye?

Everyone knows it was an accident, for sure, no one falls worse than Hossa, himself. But maybe, just maybe, players will think twice before swinging their stick wildly. Let's hope things will settle down, players will be more cautious, and referees as a result, will keep their whistles in their pockets.

And the fans will enjoy a much faster paced game with all their favourite players playing. Then everybody wins...we hope.

## Midgets Report

On November 4th the Didsbury Midgets faced off against Standard, here on home ice.

The first period ended scoreless, but early into the second the points began to add up. M. Korschuh scored the only hat trick of the game.

Other goals scored were had by; Kletzel, Archer, Murphy, and Anderson. Assists went to Clazie, Christensen, Jensen, Dawson, Korschuh, Archer, Mantai, Black, and Miko. Final score was 9-2 for Didsbury.

On the road again, November 5th, the Midgets headed to Cochrane, where they were met with a little more challenging team. As a team they pulled together, and played hard.

The opening goal was made by Murphy. Cochrane came on strong and scored four times in the first period.

The second period saw a change as Didsbury started shooting, and didn't stop until they scored eight times, and once more in the third. Kletzel had a hat trick, as well as Murphy.

Other goals were had by Hunsperger, Clazie, Archer, and Williams. Assists went to Jensen, Williams, Christensen, Miko, Kletzel, Archer, and Korschuh.

The final score was 10-6 for Didsbury.

On November 17, 18, 19 the Didsbury Midgets are hosting their tournament.

Come watch and cheer on our Midgets, and enjoy some great hockey!



# Tips from CSA International for a Safer Hockey Season

## Face the Facts: CSA-Certified Equipment Helps to Protect the Facial Area

It doesn't get any plainer than this: Toronto Maple Leafs defenceman Bryan Berard will be very lucky if he ever plays again in the National Hockey League. Yet, had he been wearing a CSA-certified visor, or other similar face protector, on that evening of March 11 Berard might well have emerged unscathed. Berard was clipped in the right eye that night by the stick of Ottawa's Marian Hossa. Had Berard been among the quarter of NHL players who wear visors, he might not be worried about the league bylaw that bans players with less than 20 per cent vision in either eye.

"I've heard the same (anti-visor) arguments over some 20 years," says Dr. Pat Bishop, professor emeritus of kinesiology at the University of Waterloo and chairman of the CSA International (formerly known as the Canadian Standards Association) committee that sets the CSA standard for face protectors and visors. "I've heard players say, 'I'm wearing hockey gloves and I've been slashed and had my wrist broken.' But they do not follow this with, 'Therefore, I will take off my gloves and now I won't be slashed on the wrist.' The real issue is, do you want to do what you can to protect your eyes?"

CSA International tests and certifies face protectors and visors to ensure they meet requirements in applicable standards. The Canadian Hockey Association cites the use of CSA-certified items in its mandatory requirements for players in the senior, junior, minor and women's leagues.

Independent research conducted by Dr. Tom Pashby for

the Canadian Ophthalmological Society shows that since the 1974-75 season, before minor hockey players were required to wear face protection, the number of eye injuries has decreased dramatically, due in large part to the use of the CSA-certified equipment. In 1974-75, there were 258 eye injuries and 43 blinded eyes, compared to 13 eye injuries and one blinded eye in 1999-2000. Since 1972, 308 players at either the minor, junior or pro level have lost eye sight. Only eight were blinded while wearing visors - which leaves 97.4% hurt without any protection at all.

CSA International offer the following tips for selecting and maintaining hockey equipment:

- Look for the CSA-mark when purchasing a face protector or visor. The well-known mark tells consumers a product has been tested and certified to meet the requirements of the applicable standard.

- Certain face protectors have been designed to go with certain models of helmets. Check the manufacturer's instructions to determine if you have the correct match and ensure the face protector is installed properly and securely fastened to the helmet.

- Face protectors and visors should bear the manufacturer's

identification, model identity, date code, size or size range, CSA-certification mark or identification.

- Never cut the wire on a facemask to improve the field of vision since this will weaken the entire structure. Ensure the wire structure on your face protector is solid and there are no broken wires.

- Inspect plastic visors or protectors for scratches or cracks. Too many scratches limit vision and cracks can weaken structural strength.

- Discard any cracked or broken visors and replace them with a new CSA-certified visor.

CSA International is an independent, not-for-profit organization supported by 9,000 members and has a network of offices in Canada, the United States and around the world. Established in 1919, it is a global leader in the field of standards development and the application of these standards through product certification, management systems registration through QMI (a division of CSA International), and information products. The CSA certification mark appears on many products worldwide.

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### DR. KAREN NELSON



Karen Nelson, daughter of Herman and Helen Roedler of Carstairs, AB, received the degree of Doctor of Education, at Nova Southeastern University's June 11, 2000 commencement ceremonies in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA.

Karen is a former graduate of Carstairs High School; the University of Calgary (B.Ed.); the University of British Columbia (MA Reading Education); and Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington (MA Counselling). Dr. Nelson is currently employed

as District Principal of Special Education in the Fraser-Cascade School District, Hope, BC.

## MEMORIAM

IN LOVING MEMORY of Walter H. Due, who passed away Nov. 19, 1999. God looked around His garden, And found an empty space He then looked down upon this Earth and saw your tired face. He put His arms around you And lifted you to rest, God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best. He knew that you were suffering, He knew you were in pain, He knew you might never get well Upon this earth again. He saw the road was getting rough, And the hills were hard to climb, So He closed your weary eyelids And whispered "Peace be thine." It broke our hearts to lose you, But you never went alone, For part of us went with you. The day God called you Home. Always remembered and sadly missed by wife Birgit, children Evan (Sharmine) and Maryann (Kevin) and grandchildren, Nickolas, Kirsten, Nikila and Christian.

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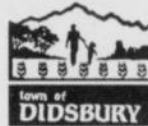
The purpose of this position is to primarily serve as executive legislative assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer.

The Legislative Services Coordinator's duties include, but are not limited to, being responsible for all legal and legislative duties for Council and administration, insurance and legal issues, by-laws and policy record management, and chief liaison with both the provincial and federal government. The person will also be responsible for FOIP legislation and all other legislative mandates in the future. The municipal census and the general elections are added duties of responsibilities that define this position description.

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Town of Didsbury  
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Hugh Sutherland School  
RR #1,  
Carstairs, AB T0M 0N0  
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# Water Valley cowboys heading to Las Vegas for National Finals Rodeo this December

By Barry Williams

It is a long ways from the Canadian Finals Rodeo to the National finals Rodeo.

But two Water Valley cowboys, saddle bronc rider Glen O'Neill and bull rider Rob Bell are not calculating the mileage from Edmonton to Las Vegas, Nevada, they are just happy making the trip to the National Finals Rodeo scheduled in Las Vegas from Dec. 1-10.

After a gruelling season of covering mounts across North America, O'Neill and Bell made enough money in the Jack Daniels Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association world standings to qualify for the NFR.

The top 15 season money leaders of the various disciplines in the world standings qualify for the NFR and the right to challenge for a world title.

Unable to participate at the 1999 NFR, O'Neill is riding in his 6th NFR and has finished within the top five in his previ-

ous appearances while, Bell is opening the chutes in Las Vegas for only the second time.

A \$50,000 winner at the 1995 Calgary Stampede, O'Neill was carried off the infield in a stretcher in the opening round of the 1999 CFR as a horse named Macadoo slammed him into the fence shattering his right leg.

The injury kept him from participating in the 1999 NFR, the first one he has missed since immigrating to Canada from his native Australia.

Extensive rehabilitation of the injured leg enabled O'Neill to return to the chutes in April and it didn't take him long to make up ground in the standings after missing the Wrangler Pro Tour Winter Series in the United States. At the conclusion of the PRCA rodeo circuit on Nov. 4, O'Neill was in 5th place in the world standings with earnings of \$92,099.

Besides riding in rodeos

throughout Canada during the summer, he also participated in the Wrangler Pro Tour summer series and qualified for the Copenhagen Cup Finals Rodeo, which pitted the top ten contestants in the Wrangler Pro Tour against each other.

Meanwhile, Bell, the 1999 CPRA bull riding champion had an easy time qualifying for the NFR this season as he placed 6th with winnings of \$63,008. Last year Bell waited until the final rodeo on the PRCA circuit to qualify finishing in the 15th hole and qualifying by a couple hundred bucks.

In just his third season of riding bulls on the professional circuit, Bell has qualified for the CFR for three consecutive years and last year set an events earnings record pocketing \$20,202.

At the NFR, O'Neill and Bell will be joined by saddle bronc rider Rod Hay of Wildwood, AB. and bareback contestant Davey Shields of Hanna, AB.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CARSTAIRS

#### Country Gospel Concert

The Carstairs Church of God is having a Country Gospel Concert on Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m., featuring Al and Carol Parenteau. Good will offering. Everyone welcome.

#### Craft Class

A class to learn how to make a heritage ornament, sponsored by Carstairs Historical Society to be held at Carstairs Museum. Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. Dec. 2 at 10 a.m. and Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. \$12 includes instructions, materials and snack. Call Jill at 337-2804 for more info or to register.

### DIDSBURY

#### AGM

On Nov. 22, the Didsbury Golf Club will hold their Annual General Meeting at the clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. All members urged to attend.

#### Cookie Drive

Didsbury Girl Guides annual Cookie Drive will be Nov. 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Watch for the girls coming to your door.

#### Christmas Tea

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church annual Christmas Tea is on Nov. 18 from 2-4 p.m. in the hall. Christmas pudding, bake table and crafts.

### DIDSBURY

#### Christmas Concert

The Didsbury High School bands Christmas Concert is on Dec. 2 at 2 p.m. at Westglen School. Admission is \$2.50/person or \$10/family. There will also be a Silent Auction.

#### Guest speaker

On Nov. 18, Carol Johnson (B.Ed) and the author of Captain Chaos Lives Here, will be at the DHS gym. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. Seminar from 10-12 and 1-3. Lunch is not provided. Cost \$10/person or \$15 with a friend. Pre-register by calling Mel at 335-3527 or Colleen at 335-8596.

## ONGOING EVENTS

### CARSTAIRS

#### RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

#### CARSTAIRS T.O.P.S.

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members. Meetings 7 p.m. Monday evenings at Carstairs Church of God. For info call Jean 637-3753, Darlene 946-4369 or Natalie 337-2351.

### DIDSBURY

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting-Second Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265 RSVP

#### DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info. call Wes at the Town Office at 335-3391

### TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: Open Tuesdays and the first and third Saturdays from 10-11:30 a.m., at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Linda at 337-5868.

### AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

### TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. We meet Monday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excluding holidays). Nominal babysitting fee. Redeemer Lutheran Church. Ph. 335-2388

### KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

### O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

### SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

### DIDSBURY

#### DIDSBURY MUSEUM

Everyone is welcome. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. Donations are always welcome. Admission is \$2/adults and children and members free. The Museum is open on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 2-5 p.m. weekly and 2-4 p.m. on Saturdays during July and Aug. We're located at 2118 - 21st Ave. For more info. call 335-9295 during office hours.

#### RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junk mail, plastic milk jugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

#### CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

#### DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

A non-profit, social & educational program for children 3-5 years is accepting registrations. Register now for September and save \$10 off registration fee. Call Cherrie at 335-8039.

### LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

### PRESCHOOL

A non-profit, parent run, social and educational program for children 3-5 years is now accepting on-going registrations. Drop-off rates available. Call 335-8039 or 335-8818.

### INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

### BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

### OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

### AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday. For more info call 335-3146 or 335-9787.

### DIDSBURY

#### BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

#### SUPPORT GROUP

ADD/ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

#### GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Tuesday night meetings have been suspended until September, due to the summer break.

#### HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury and District Association is a locally run non-profit society attempting to coordinate volunteer or fee for service assistance. Call 335-4391.

#### LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Min. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. Meet on last Tuesday of the month in lower level conference room in Physiotherapy Unit of Hospital. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

### LONE PINE

#### T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

### OLDS

#### MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING

Join the Mountain View Presenters (MVP) Toastmasters Club in Olds. Meetings every Tuesday at Olds College, Room 108, at 7 p.m. starting September 9. For further info, call Judy Dahl at 556-7119 or Malissa at 556-8520.

#### SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

### SUNDRE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8-9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

### ALA TEEN

Ala Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277.

### AL-ANON

Al-Anon, Wednesdays. For more information call 638-3277 or 335-9787.

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